Ware or on the Eave of it[.] from Every Quarter we have Act of the B [British, sic]—Impressing men & the Last acts from Spain Say the are makeing the greatest preparations If this event takes place it wil make a Greate Change in the Trade of the United States[.] three Indie Ships has arv^d here all of them with full Cargoes, one from Bombay & 2 from Canton[.] the will make Bad Vouges & I dont Belive the wil Clear 15 P Ct on their money I am with Greate Esteem your Humble

Sert

JAMES BARR

P. S please present my Respects to Mrs Blount JB

Sup^r flower 55/

Common 51/

Indian Corn 3/3 Dull

Tar, Pitch none at market

Turpentine—16/ to 18 for home Consumption Bills 1726/0 for 100 € Stey [Stay] on the Rise

Addressed: John Gray Blount Esqr.

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Washington

Per Capt. Hap[,] Via

New Bern

John Evans to Collⁿ. Gorham,

London July 26th. 1790

Dr. Sir

I am much surprised I have not as yet rec^d. any Letter from you agreeable to your promise I take this opportunity of informing you that I have fixed on coming to Washington Town to Settle & Sett up a Distillery[.] I have bespoke the Stills two in Number containing 400 Gall^s. each[.] to keep w^{ch} stills in constant employment it will require 50 Cisterns hold^g. 400 Gall^s. each or 24 Cisterns hold^g. 800 Gall^s. each[.] I expect to be wth. you by the latter end of November or sooner if I can, I shall want a Close warm house 70 Feet in Length & 40 Feet in Weadth[.] if that large House w^{ch}. M^r. Blunt has a Mortgage on to the Eastward of the Town close upon the River be of that Dimention it will do if Larger it dont matter, but if smaller it will not do[.]